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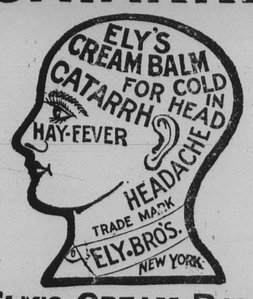
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The Edge of Night.

There are only twenty-four hours to the day—to the day and the night. And how few are left to that quiet time between the light and the dark! Ours is a hurried twilight. We quit work to sleep; we wake up to work again. We measure the day by the clock; we measure the night by an alarm clock. Life is all ticked off. We are murdered by the second. What we need is a day and a night with wider margins, a dawn that comes more slowly and a longer lingering twilight. Life has too little selvage; it is too often raw and raveled. Room and quiet and verge are what we want, not more dials for time nor more figures for the dials. We have things enough, too—more than enough. It is space for the things, perspective and the right measure for the things that we lack—a measure not one foot short of the distance between us and the stars.

If we get anything out of the fields worth while it will be this measure, this largeness and quiet. It may be only an owl or a tree toad that we go forth to see, but how much more we find in things we cannot hear by day—things long, long forgotten, things we never thought or dreamed before.

The day is none too short, the night none too long, but all too narrow is the edge between.—Dallas Lore Sharp in Atlantic.

The Real Napoleon.

At a review of the national guard at the Tuileries shortly before Waterloo I had for some time a most complete opportunity of contemplating this extraordinary being. His face is of a deadly pale, his jaws overhanging, but not so much as I had heard. His hair is short, of a dark, dusky brown. He generally stood with his hands knit behind him or folded before him and three or four times took snuff out of a plain brown box. Once he looked at his watch, which, by the way, had a gold face and, I think, a brown hair chain, like an English one. His teeth seemed regular, but not clean. He very seldom spoke, but when he did smiled in some sort agreeably. He looked about him—not knitting, but joining, his eyebrows. As the front of each regiment passed he put up the first finger of his left hand quickly to his hat to salute, but did not move his head or hat. He had an air of sedate impatience.—From "Recollections of a Long Life," by Lord Broughton.

Clearly Understood.

They seldom gave dinner parties, and those they gave were small. But they liked things done decently and in order and generally had the best. On the afternoon of one of the little parties the host summoned the boy in buttons and said to him, "Now, John, you must be careful how you hand round the wine."

"Yes, sir."

"These bottles with the black seals are the best and these with the red seals the inferior sherry. The best sherry is for after dinner. The inferior sherry you will hand around with the hock after soup. You understand—hock and inferior sherry after soup?"

"Yes, sir; perfectly," responded the boy in buttons.

The evening came and with it the guests. Everything went on swimmingly till the boy went round the table asking each of the guests, "Hock or inferior sherry?"—London Tit-Bits.

When the Fairies Are Noisy.

Among the flowers which are said to be very popular with fairies are bluebells, harebells and wood sorrel. All these flowers are used by the fairies to attract the attention of their friends who are at a little distance. If you are ever out in the woods when the bluebell or wood sorrel begins to peal in delicate, soft tones you will know that the little flower is being swayed to and fro by some visiting fairy. The foxglove, known also as the fairy bells, are also said to be used by the fairies for chimes, but when the little people wish to sound a real resounding blast that shall awaken from slumber some tiny friend in a nearby flower bed or thicket they use not a bell, but a rose leaf rolled up into a very charming horn.—Lexington Leader.

The Beggars of Madeira.

There is only one fly in the ointment of Madeira comfort—the beggars. They begin to beg before they can walk, and they call "Penny, penny!" before they can lisp the sacred name of "mamma." However, one good thing has come of our experience with them. They have prepared us for beggars elsewhere. We are hardened now—at least we think we are. The savor of pity has gone out of us.—Albert Bigelow Paine in Outing Magazine.

A Prize Watchdog.

Gentleman—But I am afraid he wouldn't make a good watchdog. Man (with bull terrier)—Not a good watchdog! Why, Lor' bless your 'eart, it was only last week that this wery animal held a burglar down by the throat and beat his brains out with his tail.—London Tatler.

Better Dad Than Editors.

Judge—How do you earn your living? Prisoner—By writing, your honor. Judge—And what do you write for? Would you mind telling us? Prisoner—Not at all. I write for money from home.—Judge's Library.

Could He?

If a man saw his sister fall into a well, why could he not rescue her? Because he could not be a brother and assist her too.

He Knew Better.

Mr. Budd—Life is full of contradictions. Mrs. Budd—And I say it isn't.

Life is a great bundle of little things.—Holmes.

STEALING MELONS.

How General Grant's Namesake Was Caught by a Ghost.

By MARY BRITTON TOWNSEND.

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It is now nearly half a century since the Union and Confederate armies contended at Vicksburg, on the Mississippi river. Few, if any, who read this story were living when, day after day, month after month, General Grant hammered at the fortifications that have long since given way to new blocks of buildings or which beyond the city limits have been leveled to make way for the fruits of the earth. The hero of Vicksburg has for nearly two generations been the popular idol of the colored people living in that part of the country. Doubtless there are many white children named Pemberton from the Confederate general who defended the city, but among the blacks there are probably Ulysses Grants enough to fill a ten acre lot.

Grant was born some time after the fall of Vicksburg. His "mammy" boasts that she saw "Gineral Grant onct," but there is an opinion current among those who know Hannah that she draws on her imagination when she tells what she has seen in her wanderings.

I am inclined to think that her account of meeting with General Grant and his asking her to name her boy after him is, to say the least, rather apochryphal. Grant's name has, Sir Peter Chillingly to the contrary notwithstanding, had no effect on his character. He is a regular little vagabond, liar and small thief.

Mr. Henry, on whose place this young hopeful lives, turning the corner of the house one morning, saw Grant a little way ahead of him with a tin bucket in his hand. Grant saw him at once, darted under the house and then came out without the bucket.

This roused Mr. Henry's suspicion. He called to mind many instances in



"DO YOU WANT TO WAKE THE DEAD?"

which he had caught Grant pilfering. "Come here, you young rascal!" he cried.

"What has I done?" asked Grant, with an injured air.

"That's what I want to know! What was in that bucket?"

"I hain't got no bucket," sullenly.

"But you had one a moment ago."

"'Deed, Mr. Henry, you is 'staken! I didn't hab no bucket."

"Do you think I'm blind? Go under that house at once and bring me that bucket!"

Very slowly Grant crept under the house, when, getting behind a pillar and, as he thought, out of sight, he emptied the contents of the bucket on the ground.

An exclamation from Mr. Henry told him that this piece of strategy had failed, and, much crestfallen, he "scooped" the sugar back into the bucket and came out. On being taxed with his roguery he exclaimed:

"I 'clar' fo' goodness, Mr. Henry, I hain't stole nuffin!"

"Where did you get this sugar, then?"

"I didn't 'tend fer ter stole hit, Mr Henry. I was just gwine ter borry hit till I c'u'd sell dem watermillions an' pay yer."

"Perhaps you will borrow my watermelons, too!" exclaimed Mr. Henry indignantly. Grant assumed an injured look.

"Yer sp'ilin' my repertishun by such talk es dat," he said. "Yer ain't never kotched me a-stealin' nuffin of yourn, sah."

"Nothing except this sugar and a good many other things," Mr. Henry answered angrily, and he added sternly, "It won't be good for you if I catch you in my melon patch."

Mr. Henry's farm was historic ground. Confederate batteries had been located on it, and during the long siege of Vicksburg many a man met his death there. Negroes who were out after dark and compelled to pass it or go over the road which skirted it held their breath and traveled as fast as they could go. Many a story was told in their cabins how the ghost of an artilleryman in gray or a cavalryman in blue, minus either head or arms, had chased some poor darky till he reached a point beyond where the batteries of wartime had been placed. And it was related by one colored boy that a man on a horse without legs had followed him, just missing him as he grabbed for him while passing the danger line.

Mr. Henry remembered all this, while Grant retreated to the quarter, muttering: "Mus' think I's his nigger! Let 'im knows I don't 'long ter 'im! 'Twon't be good fer me! Umph! Wut kin 'e do ter me? Jest kase 'e's white, thinks 'e kin do anything! I'd jist like ter see 'im lay his han' on me!"

"What yer grumblin' 'bout now?" demanded Hannah, who was standing, with arms akimbo, in her cabin door. "Whar has yer been, an' what am de matter wif yer?"

"Mr. Henry's been 'busin' me," said Grant sullenly. "Talkin' 'bout me stealin' his ole watermillions."

"Why didn't yer talk back ter 'im? I don't b'lieve yer's got de keridge of a chicken. Yer orter be 'shamed o' yerse'f ter stan' an' let a good fer nuffin white man talk ter yer dat way."

At 9 o'clock that night Grant stole from his mammy's door. Getting clear of the quarter, he crept along, following the angle of the rail fence and thus keeping himself in the shadows.

He heard a noise. What was it—a man's tread or only the rustling of some animal in the grass? Grant crouched close against the fence and listened. The sound, whatever it was, was hushed, and, reassured, he resumed his way.

How still everything was, and the moonlight—how beautiful! The stars twinkled in the calm blue of the summer sky, and the soft night wind was heavy with the fragrance of honeysuckle and mimosa.

Grant glided on, now and then muttering to himself almost inaudibly: "I's mos' dere now. Golly, won't Mr. Henry be mad when he fin's dem whoppers gone? He'll s'pect me, too, but kin he prove it? Lemme see. I guess I'll 'tend ter hab a chill, an' mammy 'll say I's been drefful sick all night. I kin play possum. Yer bet I kin!"

And Grant almost choked with laughter over his plan for deceiving the rightful owner of "dem whoppers."

He climbed the rail fence in the dense shadows of the magnolia tree and, dropping softly on the other side, found himself among the vines. Grant stooped over one of the largest in the patch.

"Dese yere watermillions is mons'ous femptin'," he said. "Muster been a big watermillion like dis yer dat tempted Ebe. Golly, 'nough ter tempt Gable hisse'f! Lemme see. I don't b'lieve I cud tote more'n one of dese whoppers. Golly, dough, ef I eats one den I kin tote two, one in my stomich an' one in my han's!"

Having reached this conclusion, Grant raised the melon as high as he could, then threw it to the ground. The melon broke, and he proceeded to gorge himself. He was so absorbed that he started and yelled when a hand fiercely grabbed his wool.

"Hush your yelling! Do you want to wake the dead?" exclaimed a hollow voice. Grant began to shiver. He screwed himself round till he caught a glimpse of his captor. The thing was tall and clothed in white, but what startled Grant most was that it seemed to carry its head not on its shoulders, but under its arm. Grant was certain that it was a ghost. Again it demanded, "Do you want to wake the dead?"

"Oh, no, sah!" Grant faltered.

"You're stealing melons. Do you know where the wicked go when they are dead?" And the ghost clutched him by the throat.

"Oh, Jerusalem, lemme go, lemme go!" cried Grant. "I'll never take de melons ag'in. Lemme go, lemme go!"

"Start, then," said the ghost in a solemn voice. "If I catch you here again you'll wish you'd never been born." And the ghost gave him a kick that knocked him down.

When Grant scrambled to his feet and cast a breathless look around the figure was nowhere to be seen. This sudden disappearance was awful. He paused a moment, with his jaw dropped and his knees trembling, and then he was tumbling headlong over the fence and scudding toward the quarter. He avoided the fence corners now as much as he had sought them half an hour before. In fact, he only felt safe in the lightest path he could find. From every tree and patch of shade he expected that white figure to start. When he reached his mammy's door he was in a wretched condition.

"What's der matter wif yer?" Hannah demanded when she had drawn him in and shut the door. "Did Mr. Henry kotch yer? What skeered yer? Did a dog git arter yer, honey?"

"No," Grant stammered; "no; de g'osses got arter me."

"Well, I never!"

"G'osses? Whar wus dey?"

"What dey do ter yer, chile?" was chorused on all sides.

Grant related his adventure to several wondering listeners, and when he had finished an old woman remarked: "I allers told yer dat field was hainted. Now yer see hit is. 'Tain't to be suspected dat sogers what fit fo' dey kentry and died noble defs is goin' to let dair rest be disturbed by any nigger dat chooses to go into a patch to steal millions. Yer jis' keep out o' dar arter this. Some night one o' dem g'osses git der clutches on yer, and d'yer know what'll happen?"

"Wha-t?" asked Grant, with standing hair and bulging eyes.

"He'll drag yer right down in de grave with him. Sartin sho!"

"Yo' bet, Sister Sally," they all said, shaking their heads.

Was there a ghost? We can only say that Mr. Henry seemed very much tickled at something the next time he saw Grant.

Dropped the Subject.

"Five thousand dollars for a dog!" he exclaimed as he looked up from his newspaper. "Do you believe any one ever paid any such price, Maria?"

"I'm sure I don't know, James," she returned without stopping her needlework even for a moment. "Does the paper say that much was paid?"

"Yes. There's an article on valuable dogs, and it speaks of one that was sold for $5,000. I don't believe it."

"It may be true, James," she said quietly. "Some of these well bred animals bring fancy prices, and there's no particular reason why the paper should lie about it."

"I know that, Maria. But just think of it—just try to grasp the magnitude of that sum in your weak feminine mind! You don't seem to realize it. Five thousand dollars for a dog! Why, hang it, Maria, that's more than I'm worth!"

"I know it, James, but some are worth more than others."

She went calmly on with her sewing, while he fumed and sputtered for a moment and then dropped the subject, especially the weak feminine mind part of it.

Cosmic Dust.

A particle of dust one-hundred thousanth of an inch in diameter is held in its place in space by the force of gravitation, but a particle smaller than this is pushed outward into space by the weight of the sun's light, because as the particle becomes smaller its surface, which is subject to pressure, becomes greater in proportion to its weight.

The sun's corona, the zodiacal light, the aurora borealis and the comet's tail are all composed of these infinitely minute particles, in some cases white hot and in others merely illuminated by the sun, which are being constantly driven away from the sun by the pressure of its light.

In the case of the aurora borealis there is a movement of the light both away from and toward the sun. This is explained by the theory that the weight of the sun's light presses the particles outward into space for a certain distance and that then a certain number of them cohere together until they have sufficient weight to be attracted toward the sun once more by the force of gravitation.

Rarely Disturbed.

Two spiders who dwelt in different parts of a church chanced to meet together in the aisle one day when out for a constitutional.

"How are you getting on?" said spider No. 1 to spider No. 2.

"Oh, moderately!" was the reply. "I don't feel very comfortable on Sundays. I live in the pulpit under the cushion, and on that day the parson comes and bangs the book and sends his fists on the side, and I have to keep very close or else some day I think he'll hit me. He bangs with such a force that I know he'll squash me to a jelly."

"Oh, you come and live with me!" said his companion. "I'm never troubled. I'm always comfortable and never disturbed from one year's end to the other."

"Indeed!" said the other spider. "And where do you live?"

"Oh, I live in the poorbox!" was the reply.—Pearson's Weekly.

Antiquity of Fishing.

Probably no branch of industry can lay claim to greater antiquity than that of fishing. Its origin would seem to be coeval with the earliest efforts of human ingenuity, for the oldest monuments of antiquity show the fisherman in full possession of the implements of his calling, and even those tribes of savages which have learned neither to keep flocks nor to till the fields are skilled in the fabrication of the hook, the fish spear and the net. The earliest civilization of the eastern Mediterranean was begun with fishing. Sidon, which means "fishery," was originally a fishing village, and its enterprising inhabitants devoted their attention mainly to the collection of a certain kind of mollusks, from which they prepared the famous tyrian purple, prized more highly for the richness and variety of its hues than any other dye known to the ancients.

The Aurora Borealis.

Whatever may be the cause of the aurora borealis, its height does not appear to be limited by the atmosphere. The rays sometimes touch the earth in Scandinavia, coming between the observer and elevated places, but Flogel years ago obtained data showing that a large aurora seen in northern Germany must have had a height of sixty miles and that the rays often rise to 450 miles, their points glowing with red light.

Seeking For Danger.

"I'm going to lick Smith."

"Why?"

"He said I was a horse thief and a liar."

"Did he prove it?"

"No."

"Then let well enough alone and don't get him any madder."—Cleveland Leader.

Imperiled Treasure.

Indignant Wife—That new chauffeur has only just brought the children and me home, and now he's taken the cook out for a spin. Husband—Great heaven! He doesn't half know how to manage a car, and she's the first decent cook we've had in a year.—Brooklyn Life.

Either Way.

"Happiness merely consists of getting the things we want," remarked the wise guy.

"Or of not getting the things we don't want," supplemented the simple mug.—Philadelphia Record.

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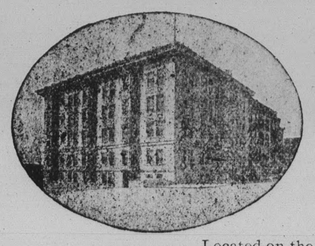
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H. H. GRANICE, Editor.

Now that the prohibition wave has about spent its force a new epidemic has broken out all over the country and an effort is being made from Maine to California to bring about a reform in the price of food stuffs, which on an average are 100 per cent higher today than they were ten years ago. There is something sane about this movement and by concerted action things may be accomplished on those lines that will relieve much distress and misery in the land. If the "reformers" and their newspaper organs will put their shoulders to the wheel in helping out this movement in a sane manner and abjure all their senseless agitations of the past they will have done well.

Pomona Grange, at its recent session in a series of resolutions, takes issue with President Taft for retiring Gifford Pinchot from office. We take it that our honest, horny-handed Grangers ought to be more patriotic and at all times should uphold the chief executive of the nation in dismissing from public service those who have the temerity to defy his authority, as did this person Pinchot. Had President Taft did otherwise in Pinchot's case he would have sacrificed the dignity of the nation and invited the ridicule of the world.

A Noted Lightweight Champion Here.

It may be of interest to our sporting readers to know that Kid Scaler, the noted lightweight champion of the Northwest, arrived in town Thursday night and is now a guest at Paul's Club House, Verano Station. The Kid will remain hare with his manager, Paul Vannucchi, for a month or six weeks. He expects to train for a contest with the winner of the Cyclone Thompson - Tommy McCarty bout, which was fought last night at Dreamland Rink, San Francisco.

The little lightweight entered the ring in 1903, since which time he has fought over fifty battles, winning most of them.

John Batto & Sons Incorporate.

John Batto & Sons of Sonoma and Vineburg filed articles of incorporation in the County Clerk's office last Thursday. The firm is composed of John Batto and his sons Fred and Arthur Batto. The objects of the company as set forth in the articles of incorporation are to deal in real estate and transact other business. The principal place of business will be Vineburg.

Mrs. D. Burris Critically Ill.

Mrs. Julia Burris, widow of the late David Burris, is lying at her home here dangerously ill with pneumonia. She is under the care of Dr. Hennessey of Napa, who holds out little hope for her recovery. All the family are here and although prepared for the worst still have hopes for a favorable turn in her condition.

For Rent.

Four-room cottage to rent. Rent $8 per month. With stable $10. Apply at this office.

Brief Mention.

The weather has been beautiful the past few days.

The City Trustees meet in regular monthly session next Wednesday evening.

H. F. Lord, the local tailor, has just received some stylish samples for the spring and summer of 1910. See ad in another column.

New subscribers are entering their names on our books at the rate of five or six a week and we have no solicitors in the field either.

Ground has been broken for the Will Clewe home on Second-street East. When ready for occupancy it will be one of the model homes of Sonoma.

Personal Mention

St. Valentine's Day is near at hand.

Mrs. Olga Gordenker was here from Glen Ellen yesterday.

Miss Cusic is here from the metropolis visiting her sister Mrs. Van Amringe.

Chas. Oldag, representing the New York Life Insurance Company, was here from San Francisco the latter part of the week.

Mrs. Frank Koenig returned from Healdsburg and Santa Rosa last Saturday after a brief visit with relatives in those places.

The masquerade ball given in Mervyn Hall, Glen Ellen, last Saturday night, was attended by about 75 couple. It was both a financial and social success.

Mr. Henry Turner, who is in Los Angeles for his health, is improving rapidly. He is, however, suffering with the new malady, "aviation neck," since the recent airship meet in the above place.

A brilliant assembly of ladies were gathered at the Woman's Club rooms at the regular social meeting, January 21st, to do honor to Mrs. J. B. Hume, State President of the Federation Clubs. Her address, "A Modern Reminiscence," was one to cheer and inspire all club women in their chosen work. The rooms were beautifully decorated for the occasion and delicious home made cakes and coffee were served. A reception was also held in honor of all ladies who had given their time in past years in attendance at the Free Library.

Mr. Joe Golden, brother of Mrs. G. H. Hotz of this city, was in town Monday for the first time ih sixteen years. Joe will be remembered by old-time residents as a youngster in swaddling clothes and later on as a school boy and an apprentice in this office. Since leaving here for the East a mere boy Joe has prospered. He is now a staid married man and is blessed with a lovely wife and two fine boys. About a year ago he returned to the coast and located in Los Angeles where he is engaged in business. Like all "our boys" Joe has made good, and we are proud of him. During his one-day sojourn here Mr. Golden dropped into our sanctum for a a chat on old-times and to us the visit was a most welcome and pleasant one.

The Sudden Estate.

Robert C. Sudden of San Francisco, through Attorney Robert A. Poppe, has petitioned for letters of administration on the estate of his uncle, James Sudden, who died recently on his little ranch in the mountains two miles north of Sonoma. The estate is valued at $1,000.

Welcome Words to Women



Women who suffer with disorders peculiar to their sex should write to Dr. Pierce and receive free the advice of a physician of over 40 years' experience—a skilled and successful specialist in the diseases of women. Every letter of this sort has the most careful consideration and is regarded as sacredly confidential. Many sensitively modest women write fully to Dr. Pierce what they would shrink from telling to their local physician. The local physician is pretty sure to say that he cannot do anything without "an examination." Dr. Pierce holds that these distasteful examinations are generally needless, and that no woman, except in rare cases, should submit to them.

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NOTICE OF Sale of Franchise

Notice that Application Has Been Made to the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma, State of California, for a Franchise, Right, Privilege and Permission; that Said Board Intends to Grant the Same; and of the Time and Place for the Receipt of Bids Therefor.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT written application and petition has been made to, and filed with, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma, State of California, for a franchise, right, privilege and permission to lay, place, construct and maintain, under, through, upon, over and across, any or all of the county roads, highways, bridges, public ways, thoroughfares, streets and lanes and public grounds and places in said Sonoma county, within a radius of five (5) miles from the present site of the Southern Pacific Railroad Depot at El Verano, pipes, pipe-lines and conduits, with the necessary service and supply pipes and conduits, and all necessary connections and appliances for the transportation, transmission and distribution of water and other substances, for the purpose of conveying, distributing, introducing into, supplying, storing, marketing and selling water and other substances to the inhabitants of said County of Sonoma, and collecting rates and compensation therefor, and for the purpose of conveying, distributing, introducing into, and supplying to cities and towns within said county, water and other substances; and for all other purposes for which the same can lawfully be used, for the period of fifty (50) years from and after the granting of such franchise, right, privilege and permission; and that it is proposed to grant such franchise right, privilege and permission in conformity with law.

Notice is further given that said Board of Supervisors will receive sealed bids for such franchise, right, privilege and permission up to 12 o'clock M., on the

9th Day of March, 1910,

at the office of the County Clerk of said Sonoma county, who is ex-officio Clerk of this Board, and which said office is situated in the Court House, in the City of Santa Rosa, in said county.

The construction of said work is to be commenced in good faith within not more than four (4) months from the date of granting of the franchise, and shall be completed within not more than three (3) years thereafter, and if not so commenced and completed within such times, respectively, said franchise, right, privilege and permission shall be forfeited; provided that for good cause shown the Board of Supervisors of said County of Sonoma may by resolution extend the time for completion of said work not exceeding three (3) months.

The successful bidder and grantee of said franchise, right, privilege and permission, his heirs and assigns, must, during the life of said franchise, pay to said County of Sonoma two (2) per cent of the gross annual receipts arising from the use, operation and possession of said franchise; provided, however, that no percentage shall be paid for the first five years succeeding the date of said franchise, but thereafter such percentage shall be payable annually, and in the event that said payment is not made, said franchise shall be forfeited. At the end of the sixth year from the date of granting of said franchise, and at the end of each year thereafter the person, firm or corporation then owning or holding said franchise must make and file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of said county a sworn statement of the gross receipts arising from the use, operation and possession of said franchise for the year then ending, and if a corporation then owns the franchise, the Secretary of such corporation is hereby designated as the officer who shall make such sworn statement on behalf of such corporation.

The successful bidder and grantee of said franchise, right, privilege and permission, his heirs and assigns, must, during the life of said franchise, furnish to said County of Sonoma, free of charge water from the pipes maintained thereunder, for the purpose of sprinkling all the County Roads along the lines of pipe, upon which pipes are laid; such water to be delivered through stand-pipes put in by the county along said pipe-lines where desired.

That it is proposed to grant said franchise, right, privilege and permission in accordance with the terms of an ordinance marked "Exhibit A" and made a part of the resolution authorizing the sale of the said franchise, and directing notice thereof to be given by the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, adopted on the 5th day of January, 1910, and now on file with the Clerk of said Board, to which resolution and order reference is hereby made for further particulars.

That said bids are to be opened on the

9th Day of March, 1910, at the hour of 12 o'clock, M.,

on said day, and that then and there said franchise will be struck off, sold and awarded to the person, firm or corporation who shall make the highest cash bid therefor; provided only that at the time of opening of said bids, any responsible person, firm or corporation present or represented may bid for said franchise or privilege, a sum not less than ten (10) per cent above the highest sealed bid therefor, and said bid so made may be raised not less than ten (10) per cent by any other responsible bidder, and said bidding may so continue until finally said franchise shall be struck off, sold and awarded by said Board of Supervisors to the highest bidder therefor in gold coin of the United States. Each sealed bid shall be accompanied with cash or a certified check payable to the Treasurer of said County of Sonoma for the full amount of said bid, and no sealed bid shall be considered unless such cash or check is enclosed therewith, and the successful bidder shall deposit at least ten (10) per cent of the amount of his bid with the Clerk of said county before the franchise shall be struck off to him. And, if he shall fail to make such deposit immediately, then and in that case his bid shall not be received and shall be considered as void, and the said franchise shall then and there be again offered for sale to the bidder who shall make the highest cash bid therefor, subject to the same conditions as to deposit as above mentioned. Said procedure shall be had until said franchise is struck off, sold and awarded to a bidder who shall make the necessary deposit of at least ten (10) per cent of the amount of his bid therefor, as herein provided. Said successful bidder shall deposit with the Clerk of the said County of Sonoma within twenty-four hours of the acceptance of his bid, the remaining ninety (90) per cent of the amount thereof, and in case he or it should fail to do so, then the said deposit theretofore made shall be forfeited, and the award of said franchise shall be void and the said franchise shall then and there by said governing Board be again offered for sale to the highest bidder therefor, in the same manner and under the same restrictions, as hereinbefore provided, and in case said bidder shall fail to deposit with the Clerk of said county the remaining ninety (90) per cent of his bid within twenty-four hours after its acceptance, the award to him of said franchise shall be set aside, and the deposit theretofore made by him shall be forfeited, and no further proceedings for a sale of said franchise shall be had, unless the same shall be re-advertised, and again offered for sale in the manner hereinbefore provided.

The successful bidder for said franchise and privilege must within five (5) days after such franchise is awarded to him, file a bond running to said County of Sonoma, with at least two good and sufficient sureties to be approved by said Board of Supervisors, in the penal sum of Five Hundred Dollars ($500.00), conditioned that such bidder shall well and truly observe, fulfill and perform each and every term and condition of such franchise, and that in case of any breach of condition of such bond, the whole amount of said penal sum shall be taken and deemed to be liquidated damages, and shall be recoverable from the principal and sureties upon said bond. That upon the filing and approval of said bond, the said franchise shall by said Board of Supervisors be granted by ordinance to the person, firm or corporation to whom it has been struck off, sold or awarded, and in case that said bond shall not be so filed, the award of said franchise shall be set aside, and any money paid therefor shall be forfeited, and said franchise shall, in the discretion of said Board of Supervisors be readvertised and again offered for sale in the same manner and under the same restrictions as hereinbefore provided.

This notice is given and published in pursuance of a resolution and order of the said Board of Supervisors of said County of Sonoma, authorizing the same, adopted at a regular meeting of said Board, held on the 5th day of January, 1910.

Dated January 5th, 1910.

F. L. WRIGHT, County Clerk of the County of Sonoma, State of California, and ex-officio Clerk of said Board of Supervisors.

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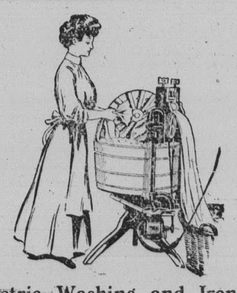
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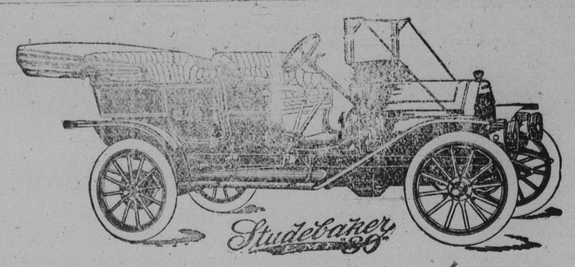
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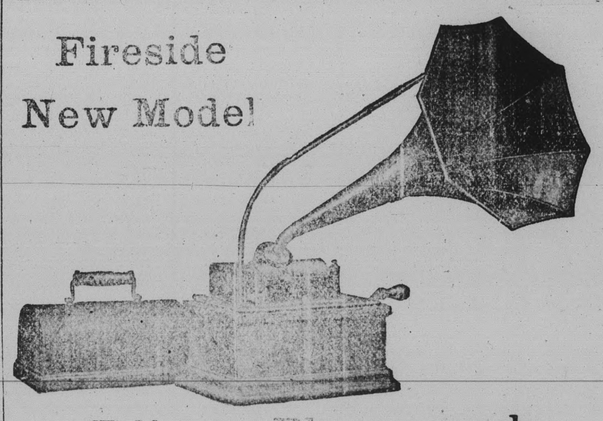
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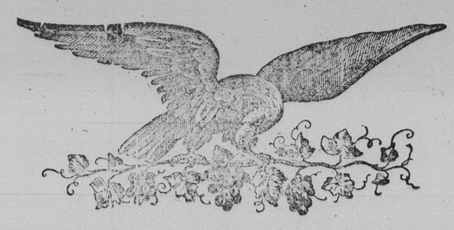
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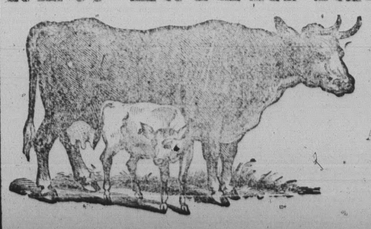
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Now is the time to lay concrete sidewalks. See Trudgen, the stone mason, about it. *

Northwestern Pacific railroad surveyors were here the fore part of the week staking out a side track for the Sonoma Brewing Company.

The Sonoma Valley Brass Band boys are making big preparations for their concert and dance to be given in Union Hall on the evening of February 22d.

Sonoma has a shooting gallery. It is located next door to the City Hotel and is conducted by C. L. Clemons, who is offering some fine cash prizes for those making the best score.

The Sonoma High School boys went over to Petaluma last night to play a match game of basketball witn the High School boys of that city. As we go to press before the conclusion of the game, it is impossible to publish the result of the game in today's issue.

The Southern Pacific train due in El Verano at 10 o'clock was delayed Wednesday until 12.40 P. M. The result was that the mail from San Francisco arrived here over two hours and half behind time. The cause of the delay was the breaking down of the steamer El Capitan as she was pulling out of the slip at Vallejo Junction.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL NOTES.

Doings of the Various Sets in Both Town and Valley.

Geo. Reilly was here from Santa Rosa Sunday.

Geo. Wilbur of Eldridge was in town Tuesday.

Chas. J. Poppe, the Glen Ellen merchant, was a visitor here Tuesday.

Miss Helena Clewe was here from Berkeley several days this week.

Supervisor Blair Hart was in town Saturday and paid this office a friendly call.

Attorney Robert A. Poppe attended to legal business in Santa Rosa on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hudson, formerly residents of this valley, are now living in Piedmont.

Mrs. E. Bryant and grandson, Allen Peterson, of San Mateo are visiting town relatives.

Constablo Jerry Allen of Glen Ellen visited the county seat Monday on offlcial business.

G. W. Barney, who has been quite ill, left Monday for his son's home in the Salinas Valley.

Mr. Dixon, who sold his place here to H. Clement, is erecting a handsome home in Berkeley.

Chas. J. Poppe, postmaster and pioneer merchant of Glen Ellen, was a visitor to Santa Rosa Monday.

Mrs. L. Breitenbach returned home from Santa Rosa Monday, after a brief visit with relatives there.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Schnitzer of Schellville are the proud parents of a brand new baby boy born on last Wednesday.

CONTRACT LET FOR BIG ICE PLANT.

Vulcan Iron Works of San Francisco to Install Machinery for the Sonoma Brewing Company.

A contract for installing the ice plant for the Sonoma Brewing Co. has been let to the Vulcan Iron Works of San Francisco. The contract calls for the installation of the machinery in running order within forty days.

The plant will be complete and up-to-date and will have a capacity of 7,500 tons daily and will be used for cold storage and retail purposes.

Twenty-five stone masons, quarrymen, teamsters and laborers have been at work all week getting out material and erecting the walls for the stone buildings which will house the lager beer, ice and cold storage departments. The concrete foundations were laid early in the week and the walls of the building are now being put up by a big force of stone masons.

Work on both the buildings and the plants which will be housed in them will be rushed through to speedy completion.

It is expected to have everything in working order in April so as to be able to handle the products of the brewery next season.

Public Library Receives Gift of Books.

Miss Meta Stofen, librarian of the Sonoma Public Library, reports the following books as having been recently donated:

Juvenile—

"Four Boy Hunters," donated by Mrs. G. Chase.

"St. George for England," (Henty), donated by Mrs. F. Duhring.

"With Cleve in England," (Henty), Mrs. F. Duhring.

"Jack Archer," (Henty), Mrs. F. Duhring.

"Alice in Wonderland," (Carroll); "Our Holiday," (retold from St. Nicholas); "The Railway Children," (Nesbitt); "Alexander the Great," (Abbott); "One of the 28th," (Henty); all donated by Mrs. F. Duhring.

Fiction—

"The Sign of the Four," (C. Doyle), Mrs. F. Duhring.

"School Architecture and School Improvements in California," "Conservation of Resources," "Arbor Day in California, 1909," from State Superintendent of Instruction.

Books of Reference—

"Constitution of the U. S. and of the State of California"; "Corporation Laws of California for 1909"; "Journal of the Senate, Cal., 38th session, 1909"; "Journal of the Assembly, Cal., 38th session, 1909"; "Appendix to Journal of Senate and Assembly, Cal., thirty-eighth Session, 1909," 3 volumes, all from Chas. F. Curry, Secretary of State.

Mrs. Martha Stearns has contributed the following magazines: "Harper's Monthly," "The Independent," "The Outlook," "The Atlantic Monthly" and "Journal of Education."

Benefit Ball To-Night

The members of Sonoma Parlor, No. 111, N. S. G. W., have been making great preparations the past month for the benefit ball to be given in Union Hall this evening under the auspices of the Natives. There will be a big turn out of party-going people, who aside from being assured a good time will have the satisfaction of knowing that they have contributed their mite to a good cause, as the net proceeds will go into the Homeless Children's Fund.

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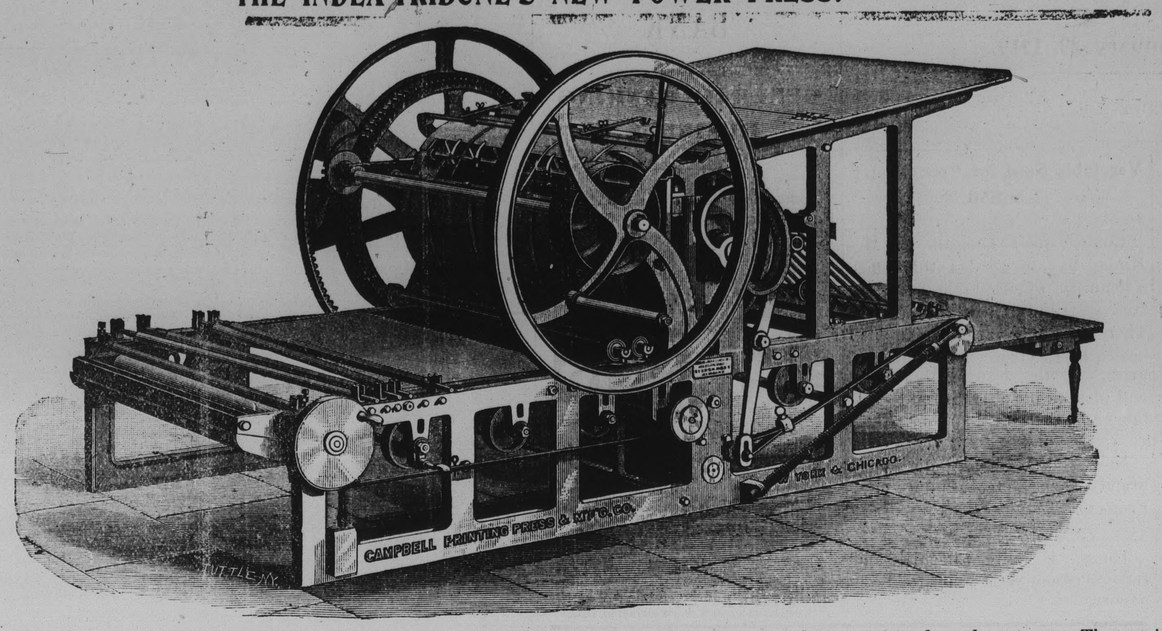
Eph. Weiss, the expert refractionist and optician of San Francisco, will be in Sonoma at the Union Hotel Feb. 2nd.

Some Alcohol Questions

Is alcohol a tonic? No! Does it make the blood pure? No! Does it strengthen the nerves? No! Is Ayer's Sarsaparilla a tonic? Yes! Does it make the blood pure? Yes! Does it strengthen the nerves? Yes! Is it the only Sarsaparilla entirely free from alcohol? Yes! Ask your doctor about this non-alcoholic medicine. If he approves, your confidence will be complete. *J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.*

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THE INDEX-TRIBUNE'S NEW POWER PRESS.



The above is a cut of our new Campbell power press, which was installed this week by Barnhart Bros. & Spindler of Chicago, Ill. The press is a beauty and is capable of turning out a high-class of work at a high-rate of speed. This press, which will print anything from a card to a three-sheet poster, has been installed at heavy expense, which we trust will be appreciated by our friends and patrons, The rapid increase of our business made the installation of this press imperative, and it will be followed the coming spring by other up-to-date additions to the Index-Tribune's printing plant. The press, concrete foundations, etc., represent an investment of something over $1500.

POMONA GRANGE ADOPT RESOLUTIONS

Defends the Rural Free Delivery Service and Protests Against Increase of Postal Rate---Thinks Pinchot a Patriot.

At the recent session of Pomona Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, the following resolutions, dealing with national affairs, were adopted:

Whereas, an effort is in evidence to reduce the existing unwarrantable deficit in National Postal revenues by an attempt to increase the postage rate upon second class mail matter, and

Wheras, such deficit appears to be wholly due to the excessive rates paid to railroads for mail transportation, therefore

Resolved—That Sonoma County Pomona Grange strongly protest against any increase of the postal rate upon second class matter, and urge our Congressional representatives to use every possible means available to prevent such an increase, and further,

Resolved—That we urge that every possible and honorable effort be made to reduce the exorbitant rate now paid for railway mail transportation to a figure that shall be just and reasonable.

Resolved—That we protest in the most emphatic manner against any attempt to saddle the existing postal deficit or any portion thereof upon the rural free delivery service—further that we urge upon our Congressional representatives as a sacred trust that by every honorable means in their power that they preserve and increase the rural delivery service instead of crippling it.

Resolved—That our Congressional representatives, the county papers, and the National Grange each be furnished with a copy hereof.

Whereas, the Hon. Gifford Pinchot has been dismissed from the service of the Government and is thereby enabled to render inestimable service to the Nation at large therefore be it,

Resolved—By Sonoma County Pomona Grange that we heartily endorse his patriotic and timely protest in behalf of the whole people, whereby he offered himself as a sacrifice for the iniquities of our national land laws.

That we assure him of our recognition to the fullest extent of the great debt the nationowes him; that we trust he may be so successful in future efforts in behalf of a real conservation policy totally dissevered from partisan politics as to vastly increase that indebtedness.

That a copy of this resolution be sent under seal of this Grange to Mr. Pinchot, to our Congressional representatives, each newspaper in the county, and the National Grange.

Phone Main 693

J. A. Kinsella

SANITARY PLUMBING

Main St., SONOMA, CAL.

Man Swept Down Sonoma Oreek and Horse Drowned.

J. Chambeau, a rancher of Glen Ellen, had a narrow escape from drowning in Sonoma creek on Tuesday. He attempted to ford the stream, which had been converted into a raging torrent by the recent rains, in a light vehicle near Gen. Wagner's farm. When in mid-stream the horse was swept off his feet, the cart was overturned and Chambeau was dumped unceremoniously into the murky waters. After sailing down stream a short distance he succeeded in grasping the projecting limbs of a clump of willows fringing the creek, and held on for dear life until rescued by William Zane, who witnessed the accident. The latter, who was riding with Chambeau, refused to accompany him on his perilous journey across the creek, as his bump of caution warned him that the undertaking was too hazardous. The horse was drowned but the rig was subsequently recovered in a damaged condition. Upon viewing the result of his disastrous venture Chambeau shrugged his shoulders and was heard to mutter "sacre bleu."

Another New Enterprise for Sonoma.

Mr. J. A. Kensella, formerly of San Rafael, where he is well-known as a master workman, has opened up a plumbing shop in the Loustalet building, adjoining the City Hotel on Napa street. Mr. Kensella came to this valley last summer and is well-known at Boyes Springs and other resorts in this valley, where he has done much sanitary plumbing the past six months. In Sonoma he has much to encourage him as since coming here he has made good on quite a number of plumbing contracts. We bespeak for him success in his new field of enterprise.

That Tramp Comet.

The new comet recently observed in the western sky by star gazers has attracted considerable attention in the early evening on clear nights the past week It appears just above the western horizon almost simultaneously with Venus, which shines brightly a little above and south of the fiery monster. The tail of this comet, which astronomers assert is not Halley's, points directly upward. After being visible for an hour or so, this vagrant tramp in the starry firmament gradually disappears below the horizon and is followed shortly after by Venus.

For Sale.

New cottage of four rooms, lot 50x142. Located on high ground on principal street in Sonoma. Price $1000, and nothing less. Apply at this office.

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SUPERIOR COURT CALENDAR DAY.

Many Matters Disposed of by Judges Seawell and Denny Monday.

Judge Seawell called the calendars in both departments of the Superior Court on Monday.

The will of Nelson Mastrup was admitted to probate and Mary Mastrup was named executrix.

George R. Reid purchased realty of the estate of Fannie M. Fulkerson for $3,550, and the sale was confirmed.

Lizzie M. Andrews was named administratrix of the estate of Charles S. Andrews in a bond of $500.

The final account was settled and distribution ordered of the estate of Charles S. Andrews. A similar order was made in the estate of F. M. Lytle.

A sale of realty was confirmed to the A. L. Dowler Realty Company for $51,740 on the estate of Fred A. Wickersham.

Distribution was ordered in accordance with the provisions of the will in the estate of Davenport Cozzens.

The suit of Reitzemann vs. Weise was set for for April 5.

The suit of Cassassa vs. Home Insurance Company was presented on demurrer and submitted.

These probate matters were continued: Estates of Charles C. Crone and Leander Shores to January 31.

The fifth annual account of the estate of Albert Soldati was settled and allowed.

The estate of Albert Armstrong et al, minors was continued to February 21.

The demurrer will be submitted on briefs in the suit of Stewart vs. Worth.

The suit of Wright vs. the Northwestern Electric Company was set for March 15.

The suit of Starrett vs. Carr was continued to February 7.

Mattie Taft was named administratrix on the estate of Ellen H. Taft in a bond of $48.

These matters were continued: The five suits of the Petaluma Rock Company against various defendants were continued to January 31; Trembly vs. Wilson, Gregory vs Anderson, Maclay Company vs. Meads, to January 31.

The petition to terminate community estate of Mary A. O'Donnell was granted.

The demurrer was overruled in the suit of the County of Sonoma vs. Sabina Tomassini.

Default was entered in the suit of Farro vs. Farro.

The trial of Fox vs. Hall was set for March 15.

Default was entered and the petition granted in the suit of Condoni vs. heirs of John Davidson et al.

An order was made permitting a change of bank stock in the estate of Sarah Lougee.

Default was entered in the suit of Schumacher vs. Schumacher and the trial was set for January 31.

The trial of the State of California vs. Nunes was set for February 8.

The trial of the suit of White vs. Rohrbrough was set for April 15.

The demurrer in the suit of Rue vs. Espey was continued to January 31.

The Daily S. F. Call and Index-Tribune $9 a year for both papers.

Show at Parente's Pavilion a Big Success.

Although the weather was quite stormy and there were a number of other attractions in the valley last Saturday evening a goodly number of fight fans dared the elements and took in the show at Parente's Pavilion. The entertainment was unexcelled, the literary and musical numbers being good in every respect.

After the entertainment a couple of rattling boxing bouts were pulled off. Monte Attel, the crack little feather weight champion of the world, refereed the scraps, and as he put it, "both were hummers," and Monte ought to know. Attel's decisions met with the approval of every one present.

Young Jimmy Britt of El Verano and the Montana Kid of Baxterville furnished the material for the first go of four rounds. This was a rattling good contest and both boys showed remarkable cleverness and ring generalship. Young Jimmy Britt was awarded the decision.

The next event was between Young Battling Nelson of El Verano and Young Ad Wolgast of Petaluma. This bout was certainly a whirlwind affair, and the lads mixed it in great shape. Honors were even up to the fifth round when Young Battling Nelson was taken with cramps in the stomach and was forced to retire from the ring. Referee Attel immediately awarded the decision to Young Wolgast.

It is rumored that the contestants in Saturday evening's bouts want return matches and another show will be pulled off in the near future.

Healdsburg High Wins

The Sonoma High School boys tried conclusions with a team from the Healdsburg High School in a basket ball game in Union Hall last Saturday evening. A small army of local rooters cheered on the home team but to no purpose, and the Healdsburg lads won the game by a score of 12 to 17. Silence greeted their victory, however, which really was the result of putting up a fine game. Had the Sonoma boys won we venture to remark the sympathizers of the local team would have yelled the top of the building off in their jubilation. Both teams did splendid work and the game was a most exciting one from start to finish.

J. B. Bacon Dead.

J. B. Bacon, for a number of years railway station agent at Schellville and who was later stationed at Napa, died at Pasadena last Saturday. The funeral of the deceased took place in that city Monday under the auspices of the Los Angeles Elks.

Mr. Bacon had many friends in this valley who will regret to learn of his demise. He was in the prime of life and leaves a wife and several children.

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THE DAMAGE SUIT AGAINST N. W. P. R. R.

Suit is Outcome of a Number of Horses Being Run Down and Killed Near McGill's---Local Witnesses Testify.

The suit instituted last year by the Sonoma Land Company against the Northwestern Pacific Railroad for $800, value of five horses owned by the plaintiff, alleged to have been run down and killed by one of defendant's trains, and for $500 damage done to fencing and pasturage by a fire which is alleged to have been started from sparks from a passing locomotive, is on trial this week in Judge Seawell's department of the Superior Court.

The horses when killed were pastured on the Jones ranch, near McGill's station, and it is claimed by plaintiff, had strayed upon the track through a fence that the railroad people had failed to keep in repair.

A number of witnesses residing in this valley took the witness stand and testified for the plaintiff, among these being Joseph Keechler, superintendent of the Sonoma Land Company's ranch. He told of the killing of the horses, which were run down by a train, and testified as to the damage done by the fire.

The other witnesses for the plaintiff were John Yenni of Schellville and G. A. Goess of this place.

On Thursday morning Judge Seawell refused to grant a nonsuit, and the trial was resumed.

At the afternoon session the defense placed engineer Simpton and fireman W. M. Speaker upon the witness stand. They told how the train came upon a band of twenty or more horses on the tracks of the company while the train was running on schedule time. They said the animals were obscured from view by a curve in the road until the locomative was nearly upon them.

George Witham, a railroad carpenter; Jack Laux, conductor of the freight; Samuel Reese, conductor of the passenger train, and Sam Lewis, the veteran engineer, also testified for the defendant railroad company.

F. Walton was the last witness who testified Thursday. He was for the defense and told of the condition of the railroad's fence in the vicinity of where the horses were run down and killed.

The plaintiff was represented by Judge E. A. Bridgeford, while the railroad people had as counsel Hon. T. J. Geary, Jesse W. Lilienthal and Albert Raymond.

The case was resumed yesterday (Friday) and is being stubbornly contested by both sides.

The Santa Rosa Bank Elects its Officers for Another Year.

The Santa Rosa Bank, in which a number of local capitalists are interested, held its annual stockholders meeting Wednesday in the directors' room of the bank, for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors and other officers to serve for the ensuing year. The election of directors resulted as follows: W. H. Lee, F. W. Laughlin, R. W. Peterson, Glenn E. Murdock, W. H. Early, Jesse Burris and W. D. Reynolds.

The directors then went into executive session and re-elected the old officers of the bank as follows: W. D. Reynolds, President; R. W. Peterson, Vice President; Frank M. Burris, Cashier; Orson H. Reeves, Assistant Cashier; W. T. Hopper, Assistant Cashier; G. W. Palmer, Teller; Eugene Slusser, Accountant.

The stock of the bank was well represented at the meeting and many stockholders were present. The condition of the bank was shown to be good and $5,000 was placed in the reserve fund.

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TWO UGLY ANIMALS.

Those Big Pigs, the Rhinoceros and the Hippopotamus.

THEY ARE HARD TO CAPTURE.

Getting Away With One of the Colossal Brutes Makes the Work of Trapping the Big Felines Seem Like Child's Play—Methods of the Hunters.

Trapping the big felines is child's play compared with the work of capturing those lumbering, colossal animals of the "big pig" family, the rhinoceros and the hippopotamus.

Too stupid to tame or to break to a halter and too heavy to transport through hundreds of miles of wilderness, it would take a man half a lifetime to bring one of these five to six thousand pound creatures out of a jungle into civilization. Therefore the expert's only chance is to find a cow with a calf and to capture the young one.

Compared with the alert, grim exterior of the felines, there is little in the appearance of a phlegmatic, ponderous pig like a rhinoceros to indicate its real ferociousness. There is hardly a wild animal in existence which is more dangerous than this rarest of all our menagerie captives. Awkward as the great creature appears when at rest, once aroused it dashes through the densest thicket with the irresistible speed of an express train.

To catch a rhinoceros the trapper proceeds with preparations much as would an explorer bound for a two or three year expedition in the interior of an unexplored continent, for the difficulty confronting him is the threefold one of first penetrating a thousand or more miles into the interior; second, of finding not only a rhinoceros, but a rhinoceros cow with a calf old enough to capture, and, lastly, of transporting his prize across hills and mountains and plains, over rivers and ravines, across swamps and through forests to civilization.

Skirting swamps and rivers, the men are ever on the lookout for the deep, round spoors, like a pie plate driven into the mud, for in this wet ground the rhinoceros loves to wallow. Frequently five or six months elapse before the tracks of a cow and a calf are picked up.

Noiseless and from well to leeward, the trapper and his men gradually steal nearer until the cow and the calf are inclosed in a circle. From ahead, out of the maze of cane and creeper, sounds the uneasy stamping of the cow. With a half snort, half grunt, in an instant the rhinoceros is all attention. Head raised and nostrils sniffing, she searches the air steadily. At sight of one of the savages the cow dashes with the speed of a race horse at the man, charging the human decoy, and at that instant the trapper's rifle is heard, and her furious charge is over, provided the bullet reaches the heart by striking just behind the left foreleg—the only vulnerable point in the inch thick armor with which the beast is clad.

Now and then it happens that the trapper fails to kill in time—his gun may miss fire, intervening trees may interfere or the marksman may miss his aim. Then the life of the decoy depends upon his own agility. To run to one side before the rhinoceros is almost on top of him would be fatal, for the swift brute would overtake him with a few bounds. His only hope is to wait until the deadly horn is almost at his feet and then, with the swiftness of a mongoose dodging the aim of a cobra, to leap to one side while the ponderous creature, unable to turn short in time, dashes onward under its own impetus. Twice, three times, a clever native hunter will dodge in this way, giving the trapper ample time to bring down the rhinoceros.

Then comes the tracking of the frightened calf, which has fled at the first sign of trouble, and soon it is pushed, prodded and shoved up a bridge of log skids into a cage of the bullock cart.

But even more dangerous is the trapping of the hippopotamus, for, although in itself the "rhino" is a more savage antagonist than the "river horse," the trapper hunts the former on land and brings down at a safe distance, whereas in the case of the hippopotamus he must fight in the same primitive fashion that savages have used for ages. Hand to maw, as it were, he must engage this two ton monster while standing in the bow of a frail canoe, for the hippopotamus, as its name, the "river horse," means, is a land and water animal and must be harpooned and brought ashore before it expires, otherwise it would sink at once to the bottom of the river, the coveted calf escaping among the other hippopotamuses instead of following the stricken cow to shore, so that the youngster may be caught.—A. W. Rolker in St. Nicholas.

The Blue Danube.

The Danube still retains its ancient splendors. The Rhine is the river of vine clad, sunny hills, ruined castles on rugged crags, mediaeval history and modern glory in war and in peace, a river bright as the warble of a bird in the wood. The Danube hills carry immense, almost untouched, forests, higher and grander than the heights of the Rhine. In the midst of this rich, deep green verdure lonely white mountains break in on the eye. There are many wayside chapels, too, on the banks. In solemn, awesome, majestic beauty the Danube far excels the cheery, pretty Rhine, and it must be called a pity that so few American travelers take a tour on this indescribably superb river.—Omaha Bee.

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